In the name of God, Amen. I, Samuel Kirkland of Paris in the County of Oneida, & State of New York; considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound & perfect mind and memory, do make & publish this my last Will & Testament, in manner & form following — that is to say:

Imprimis. I give, devise, & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Mary Kirkland, during her natural life; and to my daughter Eliza Kirkland, her heirs & assigns forever; - all the following tract of land, situate & being in the town, County & State aforesaid; - described as follows: viz: - Beginning at a Stake & Stones near the Oriskana Creek, on the line of Property so called, at a corner of a lot sold to Moses Foot; - then running on said line of Property (including the piece of lot of land I purchased of Eli Bristole, whose (deed) (notes) will describe the boundaries & quantity) to the corner of the road leading from said Bristoles to Hamilton Oneida Academy; - then, on said road or highway, to the southeast corner of a lot of land formerly sold to John Riley, opposite to the Academy lot; - then South, ten degrees west, to the south line of my Patent - then along said south line to the place of beginning; (except ting from said tract, on the south & south west part of it, one hundred & seventy nine acres, it being land I sometime since sold to Ralph W. Kirkland;) together with all the privileges & appurtenances thereunto belonging; to be used, occupied, & enjoyed by the said Mary & Eliza, as Tenants in Common during the life of said Mary; & after her decease, to descend to Eliza, her heirs & assigns forever. The above described premises, I give & bequeath to the said Mary & Eliza, free from any incumbrances whatever: - excepting so much to be taken off on the south part of this homestead, as shall completely indemnify my son John T. Kirkland for monies he has at various times advanced, & debt of mine, for which he became responsible.

All the remainder of my real Property, lying in the towns of Paris, and my parsonage lot lying in the town of Westmoreland, in the County aforesaid, I leave to the discretion of my executors, whether to cultivate & improve, or to dispose of any parts thereof to discharge any small remaining debts which may not be cancelled before my decease. My funeral charges, (which I wish to be in the most plain & decent manner) must be raised from some of my wild land, or from the stock; unless a kind Providence shall enable me to lay by something for that expess purpose before my decease.

Item. On condition it should not be perfectly agreeable to my beloved wife Mary, & my daughter Eliza to occupy & improve my dwelling house as joint tenants, - I then give & bequeath to my beloved wife Mary, the one half of my dwelling-house, cellar, out-houses, & garden, to be for her exclusive use during her natural life.

Item. The stock of course remains upon the farm for common use; - excepting one horse, one cow, one pair of steers, & twenty sheep having heretofore been purchased with the fruits of her own industry, it is my will & desire that they remain her sole property exclusively.

Item. I will & bequeath to my beloved wife Mary, the whole of my household furniture; - also my silver watch.

And Lastly. And in testimony, and as an acknowledgement of the extraordinary, long proved & tried affection of my dearly beloved wife Mary, both as a wife & Mother-in-Law; - and her unwearied & unremitting attention to the interests of the family; - I most cheerfully give & bequeath unto her, & to her heirs & assigns forever, the annual rents & profits accruing from a lot of land I conveyed unto Charles Bartholomew by durable lease, amounting to ten dollars a year.

And I do hereby appoint my wife Mary Kirkland, my daughter Eliza Kirkland, and Joel Bristol Esquire, Executors of this my last will & Testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this fifth day of January in the year of our

Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eight.

Samuel Kirkland {L.S.}

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said Samuel Kirkland, the testator, as & for his last will & testament, in the presence of us, who at his request, & in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses, on this eighth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eight.

James W. Robbins.
Isaac B. Merit.
Ruth Morgan.

Rev. Sam.l Kirkland's

Will.

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